HOUSE BILL 1433 By Jones S

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 36, Chapter 3, Part 6, relative to orders of protection.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 36-3-605, is amended by inserting the following between the first and second sentences of subsection (c):

An ex parte order issued pursuant to this part shall be personally served upon the respondent. However, if the respondent is not a resident of Tennessee, the ex parte order shall be served pursuant to §§ 20-2-215 and 20-2-216.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 36-3-602, is amended by adding the following new sentence to the end of subsection (c):

If the respondent is not a resident of Tennessee, the petition may be filed in the county where the petitioner resides.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.